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SUBJECT: GOG ESTABLISHES QUOTAS ON IMPORTS OF TEXTILES

REF: A) ATHENS 7450; B) STATE 216919

1. BY MINISTRY OF COMMERCE DECISION E6/6630/2301/8-31-78, THE PROHIBITION ON IMPORTS OF TEXTILES AND APPAREL FROM NON-EEC COUNTRIES (BLOC AND GATT-MEMBER COUNTRIES) REPORTED REFTEL (A) WAS RESCINDED. DURING THE PERIOD SEPT 1, 78 TO DEC 30, 79, HOWEVER, QUOTAS WILL BE ESTABLISHED ON IMPORTS OF YARNS, TEXTILES AND APPAREL FROM NON-EEC COUNTRIES ON THE BASIS OF 1976 IMPORTS.

2. ACCORDINGLY, THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE HAS INSTRUCTED THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE IN THE ATHENS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (LIST "A" COMMITTEE) TO APPROVE LICENSES ON IMPORTS OF YARNS, TEXTILES AND APPAREL AS FOLLOWS:

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3. LICENSES ON IMPORTS OF TEXTILE PRODUCTS FROM BLOC AND GATT-MEMBER COUNTRIES WILL BE GRANTED TO EACH IMPORTER ON THE BASIS OF IMPORTS EFFECTED DURING 1976. LICENSES TO IMPORTERS WHO STARTED BUSINESS IN 1977 AND 1978 WILL BE GRANTED ON THE BASIS OF IMPORTS REALIZED DURING 1977 OR 1978. AS REGARDS IMPORTERS WHO APPLIED FOR THE FIRST TIME BEFORE AUGUST 22, 1978--THE DATE PROHIBITION ON

TEXTILE IMPORTS WAS ANNOUNCED--LICENSES WILL BE APPROVED FOR THE TOTAL

AMOUNT REQUESTED. THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE WILL DETERMINE THE LEVEL OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE TO BE GRANTED TO NEW IMPORTERS. IMPORT LICENSES ALREADY APPROVED BY THE LIST "A" COMMITTEE, WILL BE IMPLEMENTED NORMALLY WHILE THE AMOUNT INVOLVED WILL NOT BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT FOR FUTURE LICENSES.

4. THE ABOVE PROVISIONS AFFECT THE FOLLOWING TARIFF PARAS WHEN IMPORTED FROM GATT-MEMBER COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE UNITED STATES:

53.07 - YARN OF COMBED SHEEP'S OR LAMB'S WOOL (WORSTED YARN), NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE.

56.05A - YARNS OF SYNTHETIC NON-STAMPLE FIBERS, NOT PACKAGED FOR RETAIL SALE.

51.04 - WOVEN FABRICS OF MAN-MADE STAPLE FIBERS (INCLUDING WOVEN FABRICS OF SINGLE STRAND OR BAND OF T.P. 51.01 OR 51.02).

53.11 - WOOLEN FABRICS OR FABRICS OF HAIR OF FINE QUALITY.

56.07 - WOVEN FABRICS OF MAN-MADE FIBERS

55.08 - TERRY TOWELLING AND SIMILAR TERRY FABRICS, OF COTTON.

55.09 - OTHER WOVEN FABRICS OF COTTON.

58.01 - RUGS AND CARPETING
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58.02 - OTHER RUGS AND CARPETS, MATS AND MATTING

58.04 - WOVEN PILE FABRICS AND CHENILLE FABRICS, EXCEPT ITEMS INCLUDED IN T.P. 55.08 AND 58PT.

58.09 - TULLE AND OTHER NET FABRICS (NOT INCLUDING WOVEN, KNITTED OR CROCHETED FABRICS), FIGURED; HAND OR MACHINE-MADE LACE (PIECES, BANDS OR MOTIFS).

60.04 - UNDERWARE, KNITTED OR CROCHETED, NOT ELASTIC

60.05 - CLOTHING AND OTHER ARTICLES, KNITTED

61.01 - OUTER GARMENTS FOR MEN AND BOYS

61.02 - OUTER GARMENTS FOR WOMEN, GIRLS AND INFANTS

61.03 - UNDERWARE FOR MEN AND BOYS

61.04 - UNDERWARE FOR WOMEN, FIRLS AND INFANTS

62.02 - BED LINEN, TABLE LINEN, TOILET LINEN AND KITCHEN LINEN; CURTAINS, ETC.

5. LOCAL AGENTS OF US MILLS HAVE BEEN PROTESTING THIS ACTION TO THE GOG AND CALLING AT THE EMBASSY FOR ASSISTANCE.

A VISINT VICE PRESIDENT OF LARGE US MILL INFORMED THE EMBASSY SEPT 6 THAT HIS FIRM WOULD BE IN CONTACT WITH THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND COMMERCE REQUESTING THAT THE US GOVERNMENT PROTEST THE ACTION AND THREATEN RETALIATION.

6. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN FOLLOWING THIS SITUATION
CLOSELY AND IS READY TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO APPROPRIATE
GREEK MINISTRIES SHOULD THE DEPARTMENT DESIRE.
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